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GROUP

June 30, 2004

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To Whom It May Concern:

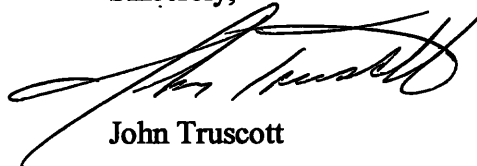
I am filing an official complaint regarding illegal campaign contributions in Michigan's 7th Congressional District, received by the Brad Smith for Congress campaign (ID COO391193). Given the enclosed e-mail and other information I have gathered, it appears that the Smith campaign has been accepting contributions that greatly exceed the legal limit of \$2,000.

I believe the Smith campaign must think the "millionaires provision" in the new campaign finance law does not apply to them. One of the other candidates in the race, Gene DeRossett, has loaned or contributed over \$451,000 of his own money to his campaign, therefore triggering the provision for some of the other candidates. This provision allows other candidates in the race to raise up to \$6,000 per personal contribution and \$15,000 per PAC contribution.

However, according to Smith's own financial records, he has contributed or loaned his campaign \$140,000 thus far. Therefore, the difference between DeRossett and Smith is only \$311,000 and not the \$350,000 threshold set by the law. Smith does not qualify according to the finance reports he has filed with the FEC.

I encourage you to look into this campaign violation and issue a ruling. The only resolution to this situation is for the Smith campaign to return these illegal contributions.

Sincerely,


John Truscott

DANIEL J. KITCHEN
Notary Public, Ingham County, MI
Acting in Eaton County, MI
My Commission Expires Feb. 1, 2007

I, Daniel J. Kitchen, Notary Public,

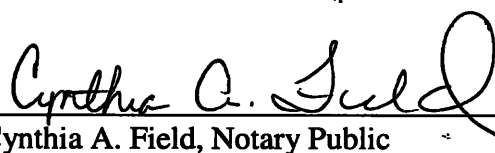
am acknowledging the signature
of John Truscott on this 30th
day of June, 20 04.



I, John Truscott, swear under oath that the contents of the Complaint that I filed with the Federal Election Commission, dated June 30, 2004, are true to the best of my knowledge.


John Truscott

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 20th day of July, 2004.


Cynthia A. Field, Notary Public
Eaton County, Acting in Ingham County,
State of Michigan
My commission expires: 4/26/06

Cynthia A. Field
Notary Public Eaton County, Michigan
My Commission Expires: April 26, 2006

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